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THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of: Ralph Michael Fay
Serial No.: 09/966,020
Filed: September 28, 2001
For: EQUIPMENT AND DUCT LINER INSULATION AND METHOD

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following document(s) related to the above-identified application:

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Ind. Claims	5	minus	3	2	x\$ 84	168.00
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						1 month \$110
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						5 months \$1960
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Applicant: R. Michael Fay
Serial No. 09/966020
Filed: September 28, 2001
For: Equipment and Duct Liner
Insulation and Method

Art Unit: 1755

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please add claims 48 and 49.

48. A resilient, polymeric fiber liner insulation, comprising:

a resilient insulation blanket core of polymeric fibers; the blanket core having a length and a width; the blanket core having first and second major surfaces defined by the length and width of the blanket; the blanket core having a thickness of about 0.5 inches or greater; the blanket core having a density between 1 pcf and 3 pcf;

a surface layer coextensive and integral with the first major surface of the blanket core; the surface layer being less permeable than the second major surface of the blanket core and having a permeability selected to provide the polymeric fiber liner insulation with a higher noise reduction coefficient than an identical polymeric fiber insulation blanket without the surface layer; and

the polymeric fiber liner insulation having a flame spread/smoke developed index of ≤ 25/50.

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